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I'LL BE OUT IN A MOMENT!
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WHAT IS MY SECRET IDENTITY?
AM I A RICH MAN...
...A POOR MAN...
...A BEGGAR MAN...
...OR... THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES?
SURE, WE KNOW SUPERMAN IS REPORTER CLARK KENT! BUT THE MAN OF MIGHT DOESN'T REMEMBER HIS ALTER-EGO! LET'S JOIN HIM IN THE SEARCH FOR HIS OTHER SELF... AND SEE HIM TRY OUT THE ROLE OF...
The PRESIDENT OF STEEL!

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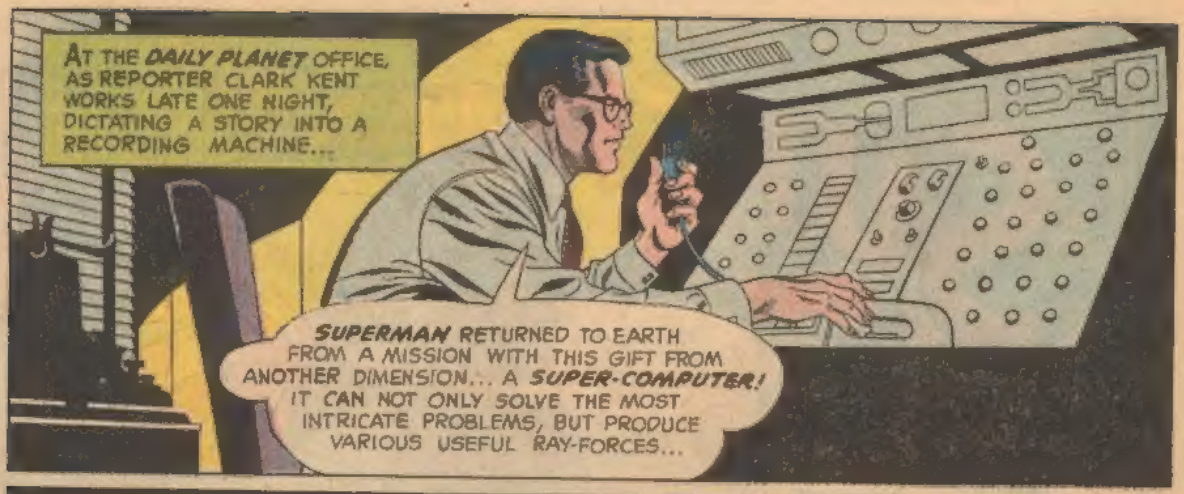
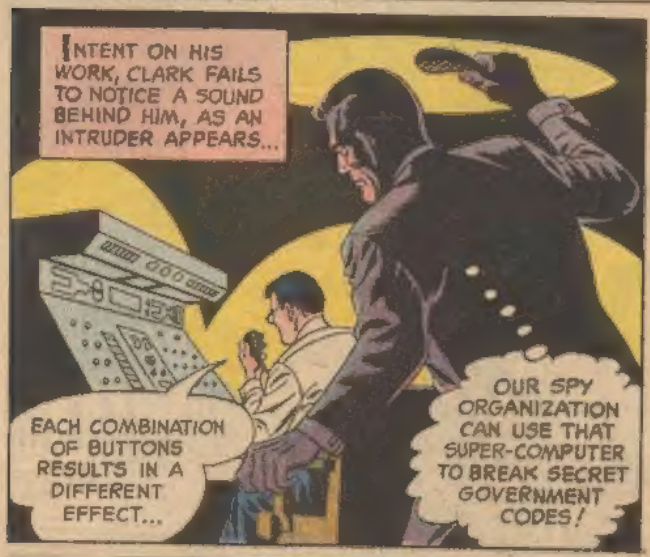
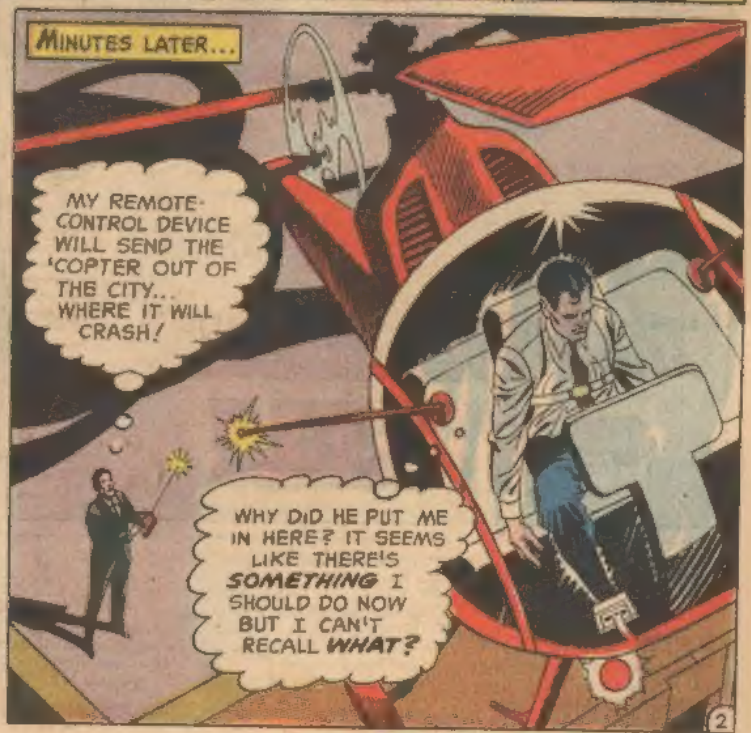

AT THE DAILY PLANET OFFICE, AS REPORTER CLARK KENT WORKS LATE ONE NIGHT, DICTATING A STORY INTO A RECORDING MACHINE...
SUPERMAN RETURNED TO EARTH FROM A MISSION WITH THIS GIFT FROM ANOTHER DIMENSION... A SUPER-COMPUTER! IT CAN NOT ONLY SOLVE THE MOST INTRICATE PROBLEMS, BUT PRODUCE VARIOUS USEFUL RAY-FORCES...


INTENT ON HIS WORK, CLARK FAILS TO NOTICE A SOUND BEHIND HIM, AS AN INTRUDER APPEARS...
EACH COMBINATION OF BUTTONS RESULTS IN A DIFFERENT EFFECT...
OUR SPY ORGANIZATION CAN USE THAT SUPER-COMPUTER TO BREAK SECRET GOVERNMENT CODES!

TAKEN BY SURPRISE, CLARK SLAMS INTO THE KEYBOARD...
NIGHTY-NIGHT, KENT! ONCE YOU'RE OUT OF THE WAY, I'LL PUT ON SOME MAKEUP AND GLASSES AND TAKE YOUR PLACE!
GREAT STARS! I'LL HAVE TO LET HIM THINK HE KAYOED ME, OR HE'LL KNOW I'M SUPERMAN!

SUDDENLY, A STRANGE, INVISIBLE RAY FROM THE COMPUTER STRIKES CLARK'S HEAD WITH STARTLING RESULTS...
UH... MY MIND... GETTING FUZZY! WHAT'S... GOING ON?
I'LL HAUL KENT UP TO THE ROOF, WHERE I PARKED MY HELICOPTER.


MINUTES LATER...
MY REMOTE-CONTROL DEVICE WILL SEND THE 'COPTER OUT OF THE CITY... WHERE IT WILL CRASH!
WHY DID HE PUT ME IN HERE? IT SEEMS LIKE THERE'S SOMETHING I SHOULD DO NOW BUT I CAN'T RECALL WHAT?

YES, THE REPORTER HAS FORGOTTEN TO CHANGE TO SUPERMAN ...AND LATER, FAR FROM TOWN...
I'M CRASHING ...I'LL BE KILLED...
AS THE ROARING FLAMES CONSUME HIS OUTER CLOTHING, AN INVULNERABLE FIGURE IS REVEALED!
I'M UNHURT... AND THIS COSTUME... NOW I REMEMBER! I'M SUPERMAN!
BUT... I WAS DRESSED IN DIFFERENT CLOTHES! I MUST HAVE ANOTHER IDENTITY I DON'T RECALL!
BY A BILLION-TO-ONE CHANCE, THE ALIEN COMPUTER HAS HIT SUPERMAN WITH AN AMNESIA RAY POWERFUL ENOUGH TO AFFECT EVEN HIS SUPER-MEMORY!
I'LL FLY TO METROPOLIS ... HOLD IT!
AN ABANDONED CABIN! MAYBE I CAN FIND SOME CLOTHING INSIDE!
SOON...
I'M NO FASHION PLATE, BUT I CAN WALK AROUND WITHOUT ATTRACTING ATTENTION!
I WONDER IF I LOOKED LIKE THIS IN MY SECRET IDENTITY? MAYBE SOMEONE WILL RECOGNIZE ME IN METROPOLIS!
TRUDGING THE STREETS, SUPERMAN TRIES TO FIND A CLUE TO HIS FORGOTTEN PAST...
WAS I A RICH MAN?...
POOR MAN?...
BEGGAR MAN?...
OR THE POLICE CHIEF?...
POLICE
POLI
I HAVE NO WAY OF KNOWING!
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AS THE GOVERNOR'S MOTORCADE GOES BY ON A SCHEDULED TOUR OF THE CITY...
THE GOVERNOR DIDN'T SEEM TO RECOGNIZE ME! MAYBE I DIDN'T TRUST HIM WITH MY SECRET IDENTITY... OR MAYBE I USED SOME SORT OF MAKEUP TO DISGUISE MY FACE!
UN
LATER, IN AN ALLEY...
WASHINGTON, HERE I COME!
HMM... WHY NOT GO RIGHT TO THE TOP? I MIGHT HAVE TOLD THE PRESIDENT MY SECRET IDENTITY!
AND SHORTLY, AT THE WHITE HOUSE...
GUARD! LET ME IN TO SEE THE PRESIDENT! IT'S URGENT!
SORRY, SUPERMAN! THE PRESIDENT IS AWAY AND I CAN'T TELL EVEN YOU WHERE HE IS! IT'S TOP SECRET!
AS THE MAN OF MIGHT TUNES IN HIS SUPER-HEARING, HOPING TO LOCATE THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE, HE OVERHEARS RUMORS BEING SPREAD ALL OVER THE CITY...
THEY SAY THE PRESIDENT IS MISSING AND IT'S BEING COVERED UP!
HE'S BEEN GONE THREE DAYS NOW!
A RELIABLE SOURCE SAYS NOBODY KNOWS WHERE HE IS!
HE'S MISSING? GREAT STARS! COULD MY OTHER IDENTITY BE THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES?
BUT IF SUPERMAN COULD TUNE IN THE GUARD'S THOUGHTS, HE'D GET A DIFFERENT STORY...
I COULDN'T EVEN TELL SUPERMAN THAT THE PRESIDENT IS ON A SECRET MISSION AT SEA! HE'S NOT DUE BACK FOR A WEEK!
IF MY HUNCH IS RIGHT, THEN I KNOW WHY THE PRESIDENT IS MISSING! I'LL BET SOMEONE MADE AN ATTEMPT ON MY LIFE, BUT ONLY SUCCEEDED IN GIVING ME AMNESIA!
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AND SOON...
A PRETTY GOOD FIT! NOW, LET'S SEE... A MAKE-UP KIT FOR MY TV PRESS CONFERENCES! OBVIOUSLY, I USED THIS TO ALTER MY FEATURES, SO NO ONE WOULD GUESS I WAS SUPERMAN!*
TV MAKE-UP
*IN ORDER NOT TO OFFEND THE DIGNITY OF THE OFFICE OF PRESIDENT, WE ARE PORTRAYING HIM SO THAT HIS FEATURES DO NOT RESEMBLE THOSE OF ANY KNOWN POLITICAL FIGURE – Ed.
AH! AN OPEN WINDOW! I'LL FLY INTO THE WHITE HOUSE AND CHECK THE PRESIDENTIAL WARDROBE! IF THE CLOTHES FIT, I'LL KNOW I'M RIGHT!
THERE! I LOOK JUST LIKE MY PHOTOS! I GUESS I AM THE PRES! WHEN THE GUARD CHANGES, I'LL MAKE MY APPEARANCE...
MR. PRESIDENT! B-BUT I THOUGHT...
...THAT I WAS MISSING? I JUST RETURNED... FROM A HUSH-HUSH MISSION! A SPECIAL DETAIL OF SECRET SERVICE MEN BROUGHT ME FROM THE AIRPORT THROUGH THE BACK ENTRANCE!
LATER, GUARDED BY SECRET SERVICE AGENTS, "PRESIDENT SUPERMAN" VISITS THE PRESIDENTIAL GALLERY IN THE EXECUTIVE MANSION!
PICTURES OF ALL THE FORMER PRESIDENTS! WASHINGTON...LINCOLN ...THEODORE ROOSEVELT ...AND THE REST! TO THINK THAT MY PICTURE WILL BE ADDED WHEN MY TERM IS OVER!

LATER, A CRISIS OCCURS IN THE PRESIDENTIAL OFFICE...
THE MACHINE THAT DUPLICATES YOUR SIGNATURE BROKE DOWN, MR. PRESIDENT! AND THERE ARE HUNDREDS OF LETTERS TO BE SIGNED!
HMM... LET ME CHECK IT WHILE YOU TAKE A COFFEE BREAK ...AND INVITE MY GUARDS ALONG! I'M SAFE HERE!
ONCE ALONE, THE PRESIDENT OF STEEL WRITES WITH SUPER-SPEED AND SUPER-CONTROL...
I SEE THE TROUBLE WITH MY X-RAY VISION... A BROKEN WIRE! I'LL SIGN ALL THESE LETTERS, DUPLICATING MY PRESIDENTIAL SIGNATURE!
OBVIOUSLY, I DISGUISED MY HANDWRITING IN THIS IDENTITY!
NOW TO WELD THE WIRE BACK IN PLACE WITH MY HEAT VISION, SO THE GIRL CAN REPRODUCE MY SIGNATURE ON FURTHER CORRESPONDENCE!
THE GADGET WAS JUST JAMMED, MISS BLAIRE! SEE? IT'S WORKING FINE NOW! I RAN OFF ALL THOSE LETTERS!
PERFECT! THESE SIGNATURES ALMOST LOOK LIKE THE REAL THING!
BUT SOON AFTER, IN THE PRESIDENT'S OFFICE...
MR. PRESIDENT! A LITTLE GIRL IS TRAPPED INSIDE FRIENDSHIP-7 JOHN GLENN'S SPACE CAPSULE, ON EXHIBIT AT THE SMITHSONIAN INSTITUTION! WE'VE SENT OUT A CALL FOR SUPERMAN!
OH, OH! HOW CAN I SWITCH IDENTITIES, WITH THOSE TWO HAWK-EYED GUARDS ALWAYS TAILING ME?
GOT AN IDEA!
SHORTLY, AFTER CALLING FOR A CAR...
TO THE WASHINGTON MONUMENT, DRIVER! I HAVE SOME SPARE TIME AND THE VIEW FROM THE TOP ALWAYS GIVES ME A THRILL!
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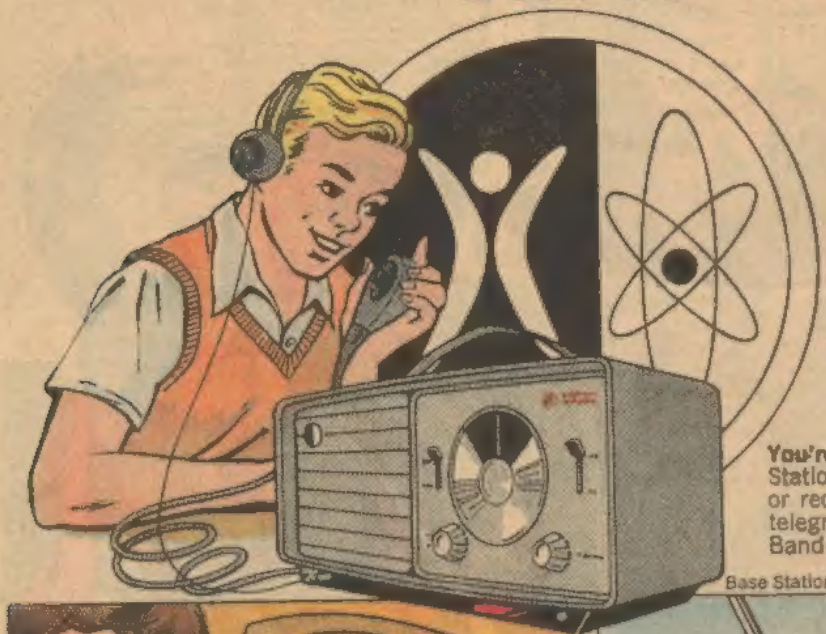

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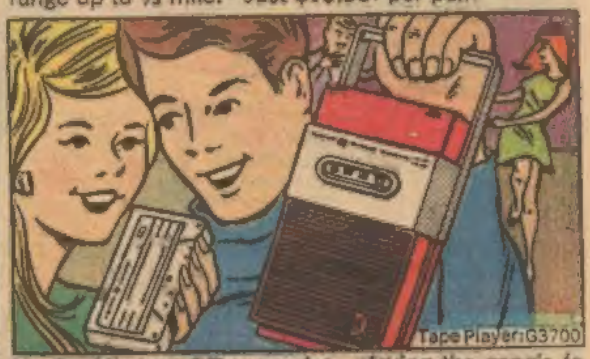

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WITHIN THE BASE OF THE FAMED MONUMENT...
WE'LL KEEP GUARD DOWN HERE, MR. PRESIDENT, WHILE YOU GO UP ALONE!
JUST WHAT I WANT!
HIGH ABOVE, AT BLINDING SPEED...
OUT OF MY EXECUTIVE OUTFIT, THEN UP THROUGH THE TRAP-DOOR IN THE ELEVATOR ROOF!
WITH THE CABLES KNOTTED, THE ELEVATOR IS STUCK BETWEEN FLOORS...
...SO I CAN GO INTO ACTION AS SUPERMAN, WHILE EVERYONE THINKS I'M STRANDED HERE AS THE PRESIDENT!
I'LL REPAIR THIS HOLE WHEN I RETURN! BUT FIRST I MUST RESCUE THAT CHILD AT THE SMITHSONIAN!
BELOW...
LOOK! THE PRESIDENT'S ELEVATOR IS STUCK!
DON'T WORRY... HE'S IN NO DANGER! CHECK THE ELECTRICAL CIRCUITS AND FIND OUT WHAT'S WRONG!

AT THE EXHIBIT OF SPACE CAPSULES
SUPERMAN! THE DOOR SLAMMED SHUT WHILE THE GIRL WAS INSIDE. CAN YOU GET HER OUT WITHOUT DAMAGING THIS SPACE CAPSULE? IT'S A VALUABLE HISTORICAL EXHIBIT
HMM! I THINK SO!
I'LL USE MY SUPER-FINGERNAIL TO CUT OUT A NEAT, ROUND HOLE IN THE SIDE!
FINALLY, I'LL WELD IT SHUT WITH MY HEAT VISION! IT WON'T EVEN LEAVE A "SCAR"!
BUT THE POOR CHILD'S HYSTERICAL! MAYBE I CAN CALM HER WITH A TOUR OF THE PLACE.
NOW SHE CAN CRAWL OUT!
IT WAS =GASP!= GETTING HARD TO BREATHE IN THERE! =SOB!=
=SNIFF= OH, IT WAS AWFUL =SOB!=
THE KINDLY CAPED KRYPTONIAN CONDUCTS THE GIRL THROUGH MANY EXCITING EXHIBITS
IN THAT PLANE, LINDBERGH MADE THE FIRST NON STOP SOLO FLIGHT ACROSS THE ALANTIC A 3,300-MILE TRIP!
A SATURN-5 ROCKET LIKE THAT ONE WILL LAUNCH THREE MEN TO THE MOON, 240,000 MILES AWAY!
THAT'S A REPLICA OF EOHIPPUS, A PREHISTORIC HORSE NO BIGGER THAN A FOX TERRIER!
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It can be a Merrier and a Happier... with...

LATER..
THANKS, SUPERMAN! YOU'RE SO NICE!
NOW..BACK TO THE WASHINGTON MONUMENT AND A SWITCH BACK TO THE PRESIDENT!
SUPER-PRESSURE WILL FORCE THESE BROKEN STONES TOGETHER, AS GOOD AS NEW!
SOON, IN THE STALLED ELEVATOR...
WITH THE CABLES UNKNOTTED, I CAN CHANGE AS THE ELEVATOR GOES DOWN!
MR. PRESIDENT! ARE YOU ALL RIGHT?
YES, BUT I NEVER GOT TO THE TOP! I GUESS THERE WAS SOME TEMPORARY ELECTRICAL TROUBLE THAT STALLED MY ELEVATOR!
THAT EVENING FINDS THE SUPER-PRESIDENT AT A BALL GIVEN FOR SELECTED FOREIGN AND AMERICAN CORRESPONDENTS!
IT'S THE CUSTOM, MR. PRESIDENT, FOR YOU TO CHOOSE A PARTNER FROM AMONG THE GIRL REPORTERS FOR THE FIRST DANCE!
HMM...THAT ONE ATTRACTS ME! I WONDER WHY?
MAY I?
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SHE SHOULD ATTRACT YOU, SUPERMAN. LOIS LANE HAS BEEN YOUR GIRL FRIEND FOR YEARS!
YOU SAY YOU WORK FOR THE DAILY PLANET? WHERE IS THAT?
IN METROPOLIS! OH, WHAT A THRILL TO BE DANCING WITH THE PRESIDENT HIMSELF!
BUT SOMEHOW, HE SEEMS ODDLY FAMILIAR TO ME. AS THOUGH I'D KNOWN HIM PERSONALLY BEFORE!
WE KNOW WHY, DON'T WE? BUT LOOK WHO'S CUTTING IN NOW
DO YOU MIND, SIR? I'M CLARK KENT!
NOBODY KNOWS I'M REALLY ESPIONAGE AGENT ZERO-ZERO! EVEN LOIS WAS FOOLED INTO THINKING I'M KENT!
YOUR DEATH WILL LEAVE AMERICA LEADERLESS! THEN MY COUNTRY CAN STRIKE!
BUT THERE'S A SECOND BOGUS CORRESPONDENT A FOREIGN SPY.
HE'S BLUFFING! MY X-RAY VISION REVEALS IT'S ONLY A SMOKE BOMB. OBVIOUSLY, HE WANTS TO CREATE A PANIC IN THE WHITE HOUSE!
BUT THE FAKE "CLARK KENT" SPRINGS TO THE "RESCUE," UNAWARE THE MISSILE IS HARMLESS...
SAVING THE PRESIDENT WILL REMOVE ANY SUSPICION THAT I COULD BE A SPY, IN CASE THE F B I STARTS TO GET WISE!
GOT IT!
OUT THE WINDOW IT GOES!
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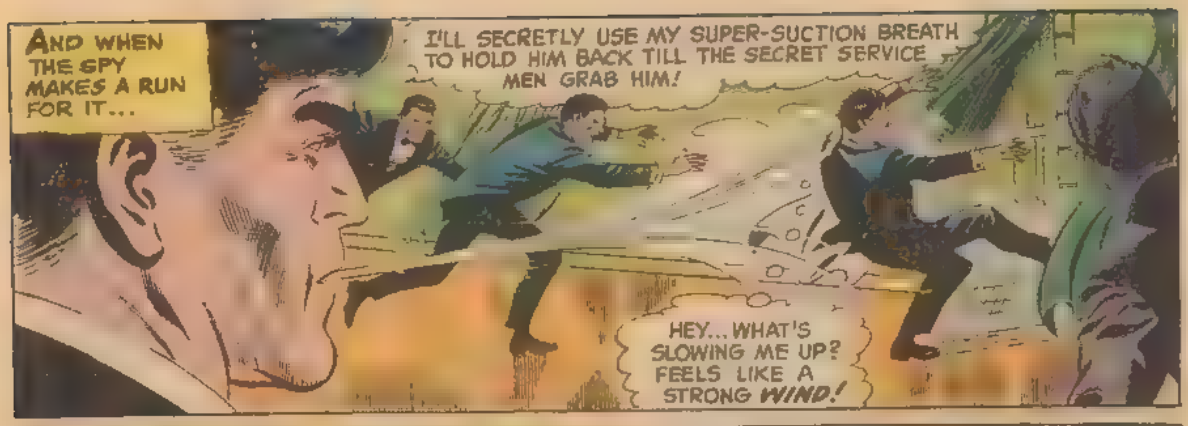
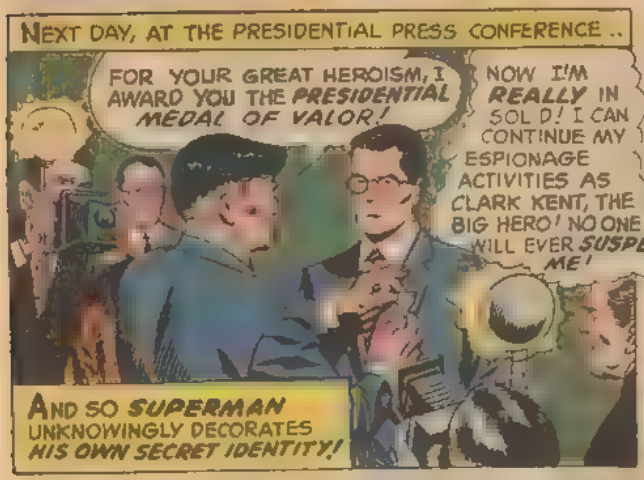
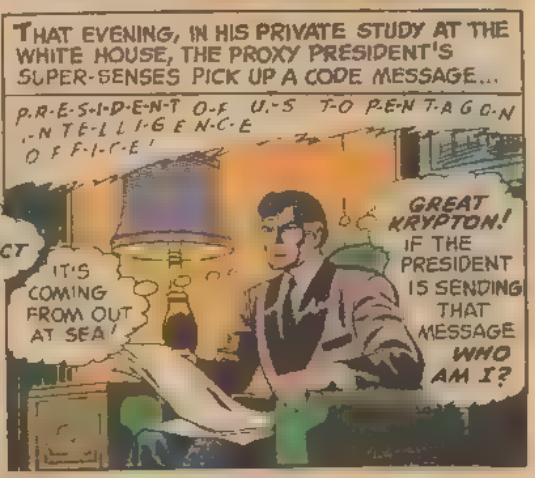

AND WHEN THE SPY MAKES A RUN FOR IT...
I'LL SECRETLY USE MY SUPER-SUCTION BREATH TO HOLD HIM BACK TILL THE SECRET SERVICE MEN GRAB HIM!
HEY... WHAT'S SLOWING ME UP? FEELS LIKE A STRONG WIND!


NEXT DAY, AT THE PRESIDENTIAL PRESS CONFERENCE ..
FOR YOUR GREAT HEROISM, I AWARD YOU THE PRESIDENTIAL MEDAL OF VALOR!
NOW I'M REALLY SOLD! I CAN CONTINUE MY ESPIONAGE ACTIVITIES AS CLARK KENT, THE BIG HERO! NO ONE WILL EVER SUSPECT ME!
AND SO SUPERMAN UNKNOWINGLY DECORATES HIS OWN SECRET IDENTITY!


THAT EVENING, IN HIS PRIVATE STUDY AT THE WHITE HOUSE, THE PROXY PRESIDENT'S SUPER-SENSES PICK UP A CODE MESSAGE...
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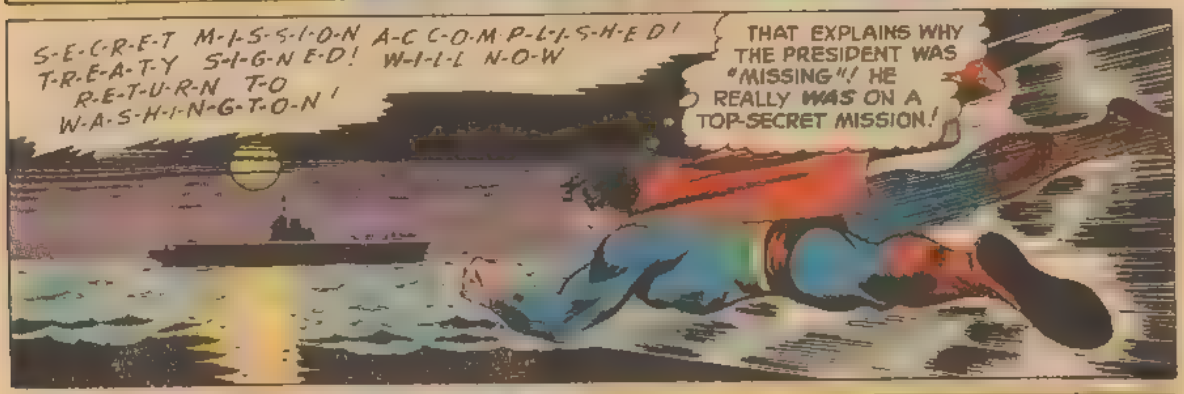
IT'S COMING FROM OUT AT SEA!
GREAT KRYPTON! IF THE PRESIDENT IS SENDING THAT MESSAGE WHO AM I?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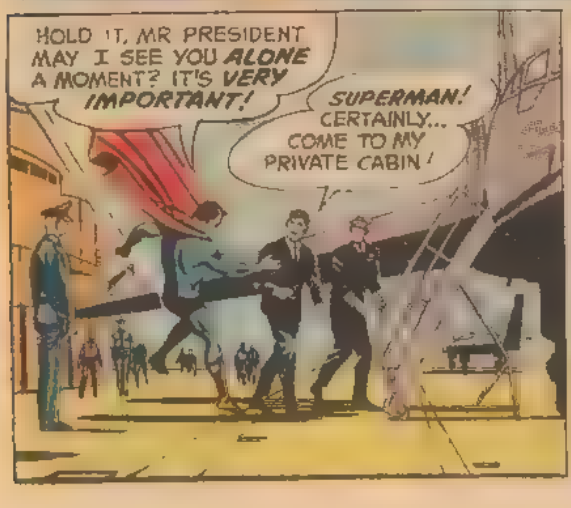
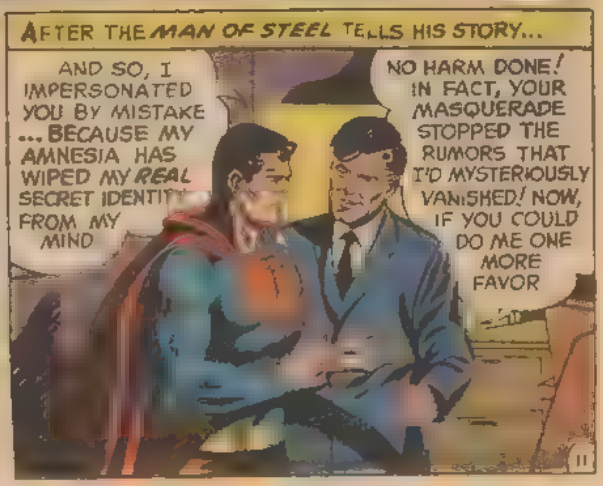
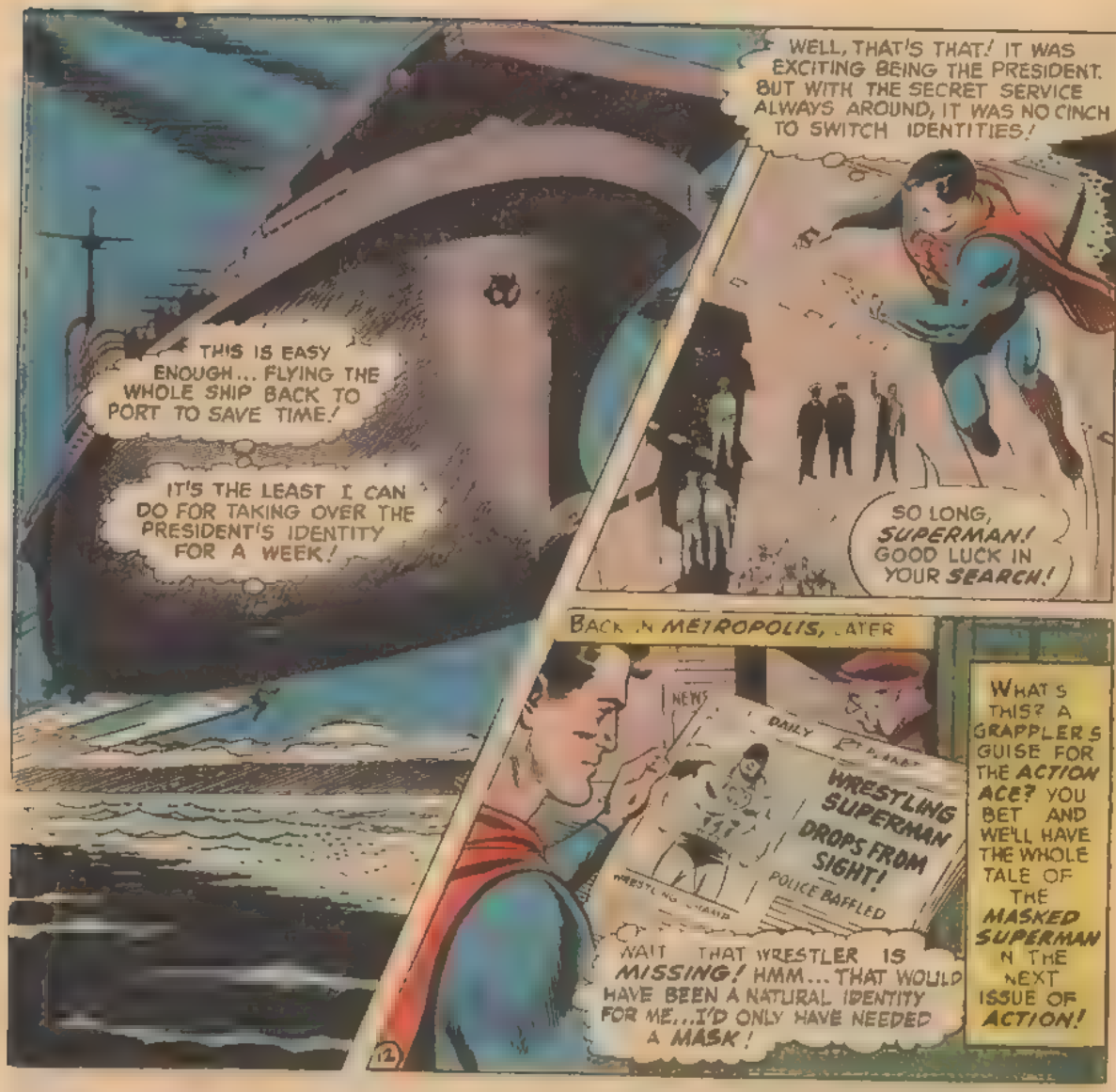
THAT EXPLAINS WHY THE PRESIDENT WAS "MISSING"! HE REALLY WAS ON A TOP-SECRET MISSION!


HOLD IT, MR PRESIDENT MAY I SEE YOU ALONE A MOMENT? IT'S VERY IMPORTANT!
SUPERMAN! CERTAINLY... COME TO MY PRIVATE CABIN!


AFTER THE MAN OF STEEL TELLS HIS STORY...
AND SO, I IMPERSONATED YOU BY MISTAKE ... BECAUSE MY AMNESIA HAS WIPED MY REAL SECRET IDENTITY FROM MY MIND
NO HARM DONE! IN FACT, YOUR MASQUERADE STOPPED THE RUMORS THAT I'D MYSTERIOUSLY VANISHED! NOW, IF YOU COULD DO ME ONE MORE FAVOR


WELL, THAT'S THAT! IT WAS EXCITING BEING THE PRESIDENT. BUT WITH THE SECRET SERVICE ALWAYS AROUND, IT WAS NO CINCH TO SWITCH IDENTITIES!
THIS IS EASY ENOUGH... FLYING THE WHOLE SHIP BACK TO PORT TO SAVE TIME!
IT'S THE LEAST I CAN DO FOR TAKING OVER THE PRESIDENT'S IDENTITY FOR A WEEK!
SO LONG, SUPERMAN! GOOD LUCK IN YOUR SEARCH!
BACK IN METROPOLIS, LATER
DAILY PLANET
WRESTLING SUPERMAN DROPS FROM SIGHT!
POLICE BAFFLED
WAIT THAT WRESTLER IS MISSING! HMM... THAT WOULD HAVE BEEN A NATURAL IDENTITY FOR ME...I'D ONLY HAVE NEEDED A MASK!
WHAT'S THIS? A GRAPPLER'S GUISE FOR THE ACTION ACE? YOU BET AND WE'LL HAVE THE WHOLE TALE OF THE MASKED SUPERMAN IN THE NEXT ISSUE OF ACTION!
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Cutty Sark

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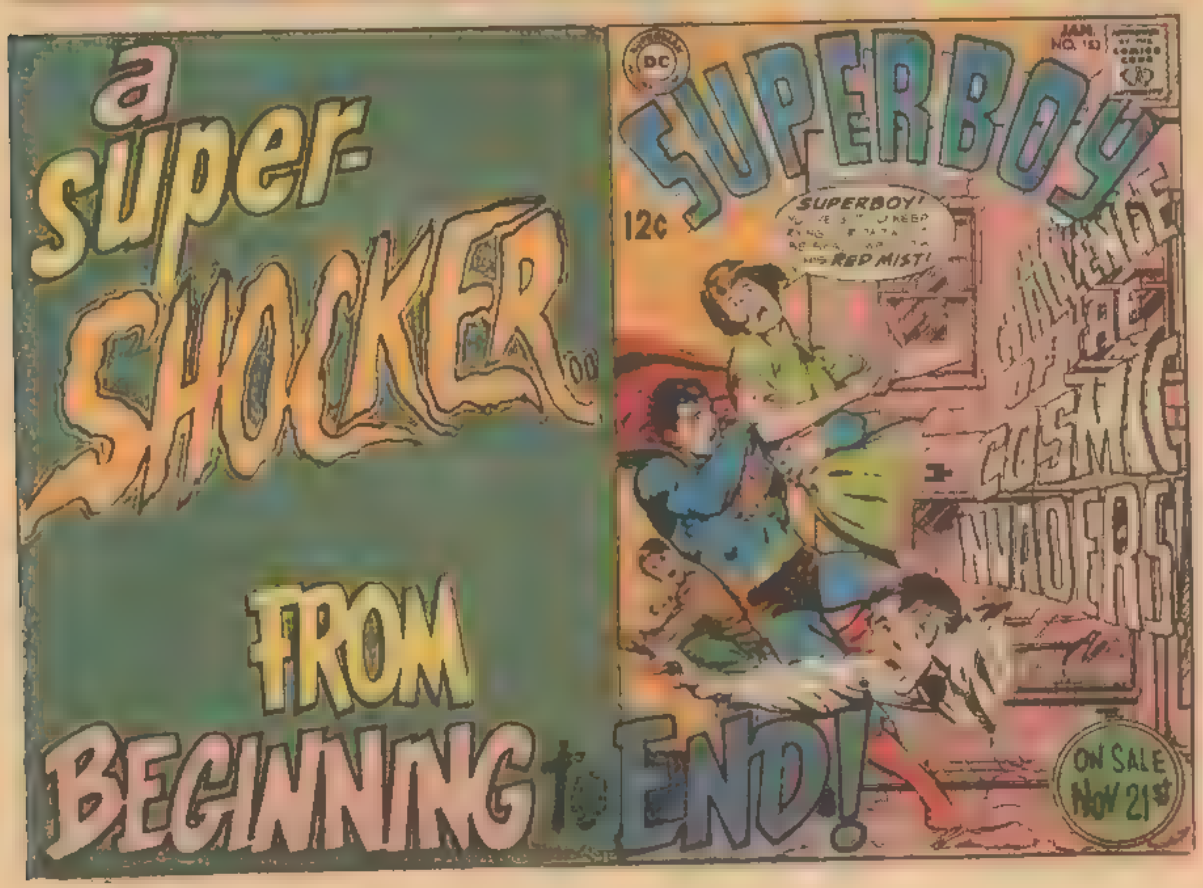
Model of the Month

The gang goes for BOOBY-TRAP!
JUST WHAT I WANTED FOR CHRISTMAS!
BOOBY-TRAP
HEY, WHAT A GROOVY GAME!
I JUST PICKED OUT A BIG PIECE -- THEY COUNT FOR MORE POINTS!
ZAP! I TRIGGERED THE SPRING - BAR AND SCATTERED THE PIECES! NOW IT'S YOUR TURN. THIS WOULD BE FUN AT BOB'S PARTY. LET'S TAKE IT WITH US!
famous PARKER GAMES
Parker Brothers


a super-SHOCKER
FROM BEGINNING to END!
SUPERBOY
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SUPERBOY!
RED MIST!
CHALLENGE OF THE COSMIC INVADERS!
ON SALE NOV 21st

SUPERGIRL
EXCELLENT, SUPERGIRL! YOU HIT THOSE CROOKS' CAR WITH SUCH FORCE THAT YOU BLEW OUT ALL FOUR TIRES.. EXACTLY AS MY BOOK PREDICTED!
PITY POOR SUPERGIRL WHEN HER LIFE LITERALLY BECOMES AN OPEN BOOK! CAN SHE STOP AN UNSCRUPULOUS AUTHORESS FROM REVEALING ALL HER SECRETS...PAST, PRESENT AND FUTURE... IN... The SUPERGIRL BEST-SELLER!
LANDING ON GETAWAY CAR AND BLOWING OUT ALL FOUR TIRES
ONE DAY, AT STANHOPE COLLEGE, AS LINDA (SUPERGIRL) DANVERS HEADS FOR A CLASS...
FOR PETE'S SAKE! WHY THE MOB SCENE AT THE BOOK STORE?
LINDA, BABY, WHERE HAVE YOU BEEN? DON'T TELL ME YOU HAVEN'T DUG THIS! GET WITH IT!
CAMPUS BOOK SH
STANHOPE POLICE

EVERYBODY'S BUYING THE NEW BOOK ABOUT SUPERGIRL! THEY SAY IT'S LOADED WITH ALL HER SECRETS!
WHAT?? BUT THAT CAN'T BE TRUE!
I'M SUPERGIRL, SO I SHOULD KNOW!
IT'S THE REAL THING, ALL RIGHT! AFTER ALL, IT WAS WRITTEN BY OUR SCHOOL LIBRARIAN, MISS POWELL!
BUT HOW COULD ANYONE DISCOVER SUPERGIRL'S SECRETS?! IT MUST BE A HOAX!
I'LL BUY A COPY AND PROVE SHE'S MADE UP THE WHOLE THING
Read the Smash Best-Seller - The CONFESSIONS of SUPERGIRL
The Secret Life of the GIRL of STEEL
WRITTEN BY HILDA POWELL
BUT SOON.
ALL RIGHT, KIDS.. BREAK IT UP! THEY JUST SOLD THE LAST COPY! THE NEXT EDITION WON'T BE OUT FOR A WEEK!
OF ALL THE ROTTEN LUCK! OH, WELL! I'LL SWITCH TO SUPERGIRL AND FLY TO ANOTHER BOOK STORE
AS THE STANHOPE SENSATION RETURNS TO HER SECRET ROOM, THROUGH AN ABANDONED CHIMNEY..
WAIT! AS LINDA DANVERS, I'M A REPORTER ON THE CAMPUS NEWSPAPER.. THE STANHOPE SENTINEL. SO I'LL INTERVIEW MISS POWELL AND GET TO THE BOTTOM OF THIS!
BUT SUPERGIRL SEARCHES IN VAIN
VERY FUNNY! THAT WAS THE FIFTH STORE I TRIED. YET I MUST FIND OUT WHAT PHONEY STORIES MISS POWELL COOKED UP ABOUT ME!
SORRY, SUPERGIRL! IT WAS A SELLOUT! BUT WHY BUY THE BOOK? DON'T YOU REMEMBER YOUR OWN SECRETS? HA, HA!
READ THE SM BEST-SELLE THE CONFESSIO SUPERGIRL
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BUT WHEN LINDA TALKS TO THE LIBRARIAN...
HOW COULD YOU POSSIBLY KNOW SUPERGIRL'S SECRETS... UNLESS SHE AUTHORIZED YOUR BOOK ?
THAT'S MY SECRET LINDA
I'M SORRY..I MUST LEAVE I'M DUE FOR A TV INTERVIEW AT 7 O'CLOCK !
HOWEVER, HERE'S A COPY OF MY BOOK... SPECIALLY AUTOGRAPHED TO YOU !
GASP!
IS SHE HINTING THAT SHE KNOWS MY SUPERGIRL IDENTITY ?
THE CONFESSIONS OF SUPERGIRL
To Linda.. I'm thrilled to share Supergirl's secrets with you!
Hilda Powell
The CONFESSIONS of SUPERGIRL
ULP!! THIS IS FANTASTIC! I THOUGHT SHE WAS A FOUR-STAR PHONEY! BUT HER BOOK SHOWS SHE REALLY KNOWS THINGS ABOUT ME EVEN I HAD FORGOTTEN!
STUNNED BY THIS DISCOVERY, LINDA TUNES IN CELEBRITY TIME, THE TV INTERVIEW SHOW
MISS POWELL, I HEAR THAT, AS AN AMATEUR ARTIST, YOU ALSO ILLUSTRATED YOUR BOOK!
CORRECT. .AND EVERYTHING I WROTE ABOUT SUPERGIRL IS TRUE! SHE CAN'T DENY IT!
THEY TELL ME HOLLYWOOD IS BIDDING LIKE MAD FOR YOUR STORY!
NATURALLY! THE FILM WOULD CONTAIN A DOZEN "FIRSTS". FOR INSTANCE, PAGE 84 TELLS A TRUE STORY OF A BEING FROM THE 7TH DIMENSION SUPERGIRL ONCE FOUGHT!
BUT SHE NEVER SAW HIM SHE COULDN'T HAVE

IN HIS WEIRD WORLD, HE WAS CALLED RACTON, THE COLLECTOR, BECAUSE HE USED A TRANS-DIMENSIONAL GRAPPLER TO STEAL VALUABLE BOOKS AND DOCUMENTS FROM OTHER DIMENSIONS!
HE WAS AFTER THE STANHOPE LIBRARY COLLECTION WHEN SUPERGIRL SPOTTED HIM!
SUSPECTING THE GRAPPLER MIGHT BE SUPER-STRONG, SUPERGIRL OUTFOXED THE COLLECTOR BY FLYING THE ENTIRE LIBRARY THROUGH THE TIME-BARRIER, INTO ANOTHER ERA!
THAT'S EXACTLY WHAT HAPPENED! IT'S AS THOUGH SHE HAD ACTUALLY BEEN THERE!
BUT THAT'S IMPOSSIBLE! IT ALL HAPPENED IN THE DEAD OF NIGHT, WHEN THE LIBRARY WAS CLOSED!
I REPLACED THE BUILDING AND NEVER MENTIONED IT TO A SOUL. BECAUSE I DIDN'T WANT TO START A PANIC!
AND HERE'S ANOTHER FIRST..ABOUT A SCIENTIST FROM ATLANTIS WHO WAS EXPERIMENTING WITH MARINE LIFE!
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"BUT A SUBMARINE VOLCANO ERUPTED, RELEASING STRANGE ELEMENTS WHICH TURNED THE EXPERIMENTAL ANIMALS INTO WEIRD MUTANTS! THEIR PRESENCE CONVERTED THE SEA INTO GASSES DEADLY TO ALL LIFE!"
"THE ATLANTEANS ALERTED SUPERGIRL TELEPATHICALLY, AND SHE TRANSPORTED THE MONSTROSITIES TO A GAS-WORLD WHERE THEY WOULD BE HARMLESS..."
THOSE POOR BEASTS WERE MENACES, BUT I COULDN'T VIOLATE MY CODE AGAINST KILLING!
AS THE INTERVIEW ENDS.
I KEPT BOTH STORIES SECRET TO PREVENT THE WORLD FROM BEING TERRIFIED BY THOSE PERILS! HOW DARE SHE REVEAL THEM NOW? I'LL SPEAK TO HER FACE TO FACE... AS SUPERGIRL!
NEXT DAY, AT THE LIBRARY...
MISS POWELL, I DON'T KNOW WHERE YOU GOT YOUR INFORMATION, BUT I INSIST YOU STOP PUBLISHING THAT BOOK! YOU'RE INVADING MY PRIVACY!
SO SUE ME!
THAT'S EXACTLY WHAT I INTEND TO DO!
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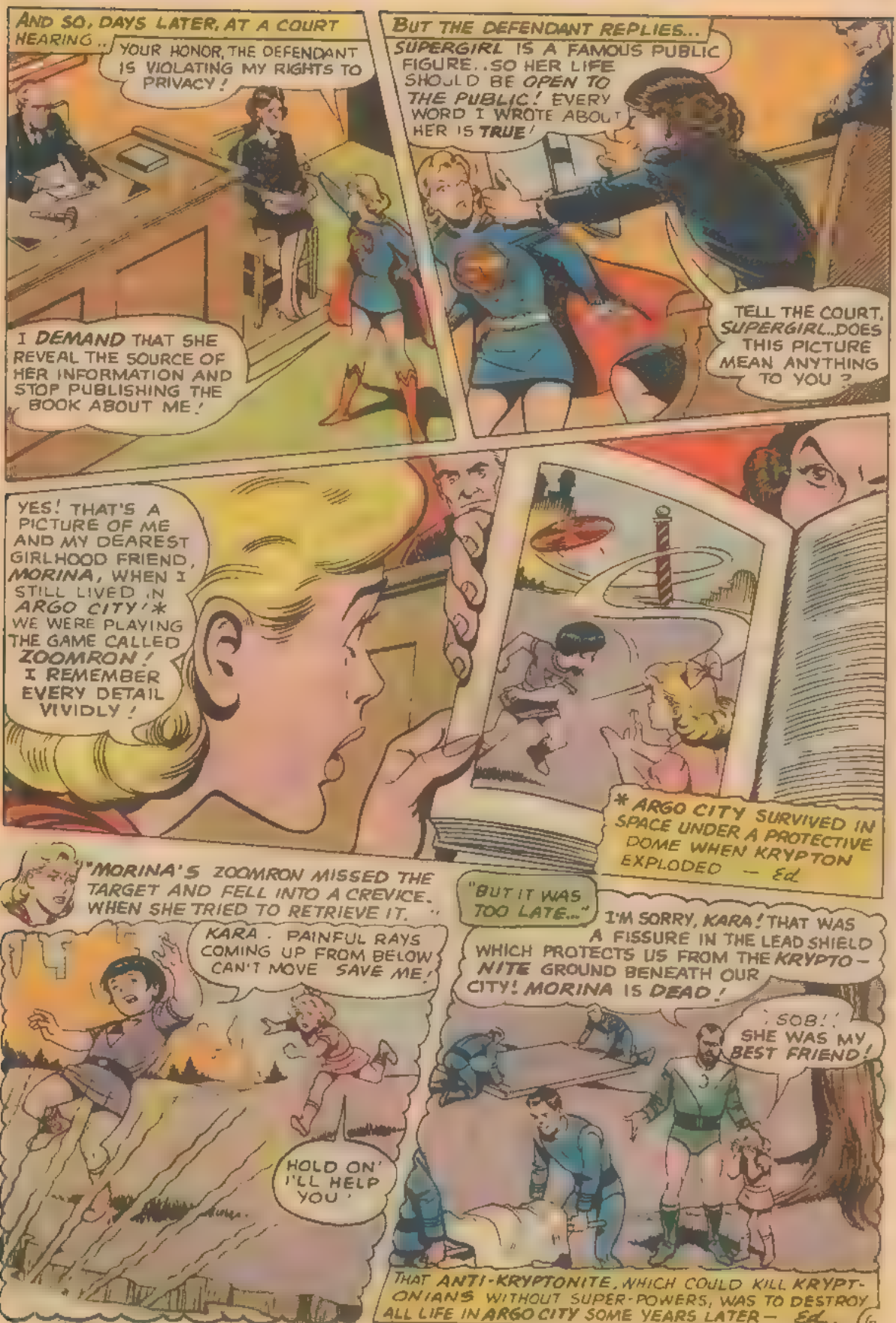
AND SO, DAYS LATER, AT A COURT HEARING..
YOUR HONOR, THE DEFENDANT IS VIOLATING MY RIGHTS TO PRIVACY!
I DEMAND THAT SHE REVEAL THE SOURCE OF HER INFORMATION AND STOP PUBLISHING THE BOOK ABOUT ME!
BUT THE DEFENDANT REPLIES...
SUPERGIRL IS A FAMOUS PUBLIC FIGURE..SO HER LIFE SHOULD BE OPEN TO THE PUBLIC! EVERY WORD I WROTE ABOUT HER IS TRUE!
TELL THE COURT, SUPERGIRL..DOES THIS PICTURE MEAN ANYTHING TO YOU?
YES! THAT'S A PICTURE OF ME AND MY DEAREST GIRLHOOD FRIEND, MORINA, WHEN I STILL LIVED IN ARGO CITY!* WE WERE PLAYING THE GAME CALLED ZOOMRON! I REMEMBER EVERY DETAIL VIVIDLY!
* ARGO CITY SURVIVED IN SPACE UNDER A PROTECTIVE DOME WHEN KRYPTON EXPLODED — Ed.
"MORINA'S ZOOMRON MISSED THE TARGET AND FELL INTO A CREVICE. WHEN SHE TRIED TO RETRIEVE IT.."
KARA . PAINFUL RAYS COMING UP FROM BELOW CAN'T MOVE SAVE ME!
HOLD ON! I'LL HELP YOU!
"BUT IT WAS TOO LATE.."
I'M SORRY, KARA! THAT WAS A FISSURE IN THE LEAD SHIELD WHICH PROTECTS US FROM THE KRYPTO-NITE GROUND BENEATH OUR CITY! MORINA IS DEAD!
;SOB!' SHE WAS MY BEST FRIEND!
THAT ANTI-KRYPTONITE, WHICH COULD KILL KRYPTONIANS WITHOUT SUPER-POWERS, WAS TO DESTROY ALL LIFE IN ARGO CITY SOME YEARS LATER — Ed.
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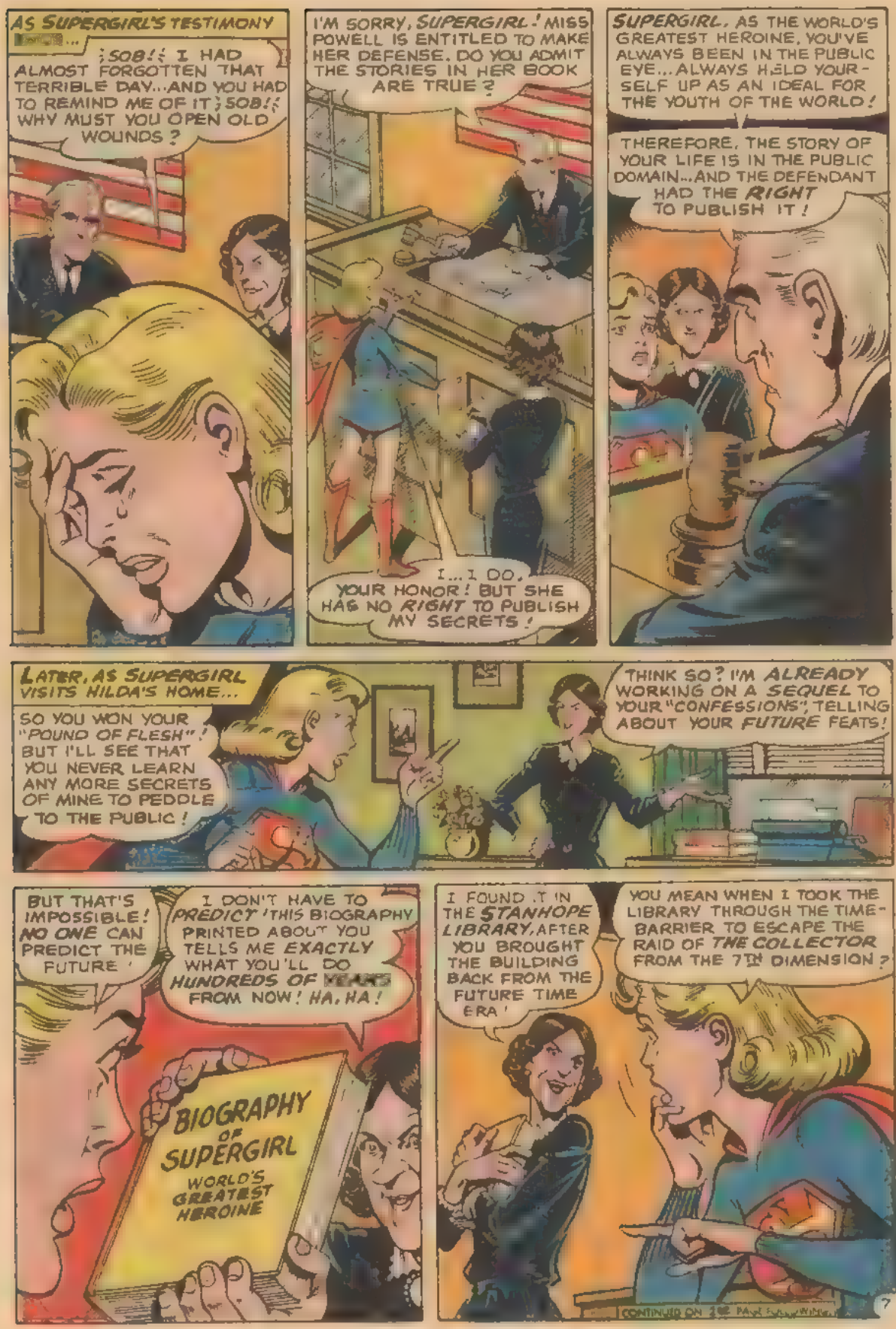
AS SUPERGIRL'S TESTIMONY ...
;SOB!; I HAD ALMOST FORGOTTEN THAT TERRIBLE DAY...AND YOU HAD TO REMIND ME OF IT;SOB!; WHY MUST YOU OPEN OLD WOUNDS?
I'M SORRY, SUPERGIRL! MISS POWELL IS ENTITLED TO MAKE HER DEFENSE. DO YOU ADMIT THE STORIES IN HER BOOK ARE TRUE?
I...I DO, YOUR HONOR! BUT SHE HAS NO RIGHT TO PUBLISH MY SECRETS!
SUPERGIRL, AS THE WORLD'S GREATEST HEROINE, YOU'VE ALWAYS BEEN IN THE PUBLIC EYE...ALWAYS HELD YOURSELF UP AS AN IDEAL FOR THE YOUTH OF THE WORLD!
THEREFORE, THE STORY OF YOUR LIFE IS IN THE PUBLIC DOMAIN...AND THE DEFENDANT HAD THE RIGHT TO PUBLISH IT!
LATER, AS SUPERGIRL VISITS HILDA'S HOME...
SO YOU WON YOUR "POUND OF FLESH"! BUT I'LL SEE THAT YOU NEVER LEARN ANY MORE SECRETS OF MINE TO PEDDLE TO THE PUBLIC!
THINK SO? I'M ALREADY WORKING ON A SEQUEL TO YOUR "CONFESSIONS", TELLING ABOUT YOUR FUTURE FEATS!
BUT THAT'S IMPOSSIBLE! NO ONE CAN PREDICT THE FUTURE!
I DON'T HAVE TO PREDICT! THIS BIOGRAPHY PRINTED ABOUT YOU TELLS ME EXACTLY WHAT YOU'LL DO HUNDREDS OF YEARS FROM NOW! HA, HA!
BIOGRAPHY OF SUPERGIRL WORLD'S GREATEST HEROINE
I FOUND IT IN THE STANHOPE LIBRARY, AFTER YOU BROUGHT THE BUILDING BACK FROM THE FUTURE TIME ERA!
YOU MEAN WHEN I TOOK THE LIBRARY THROUGH THE TIME-BARRIER TO ESCAPE THE RAID OF THE COLLECTOR FROM THE 7TH DIMENSION?
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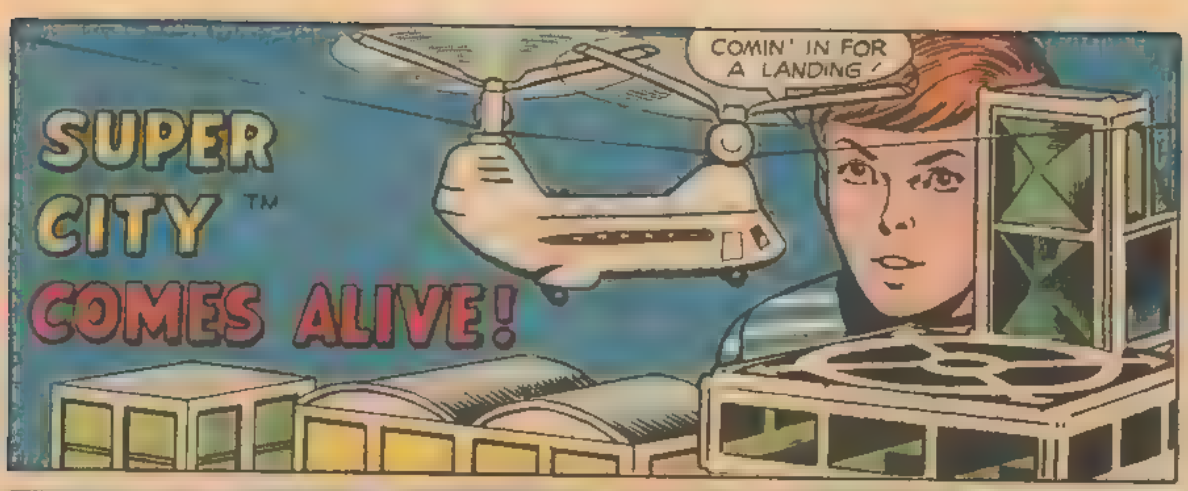
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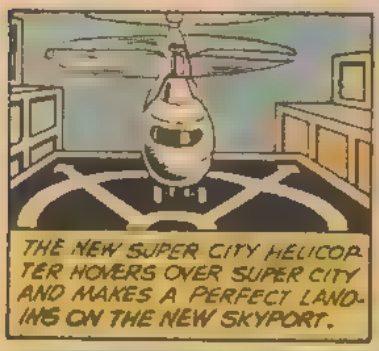
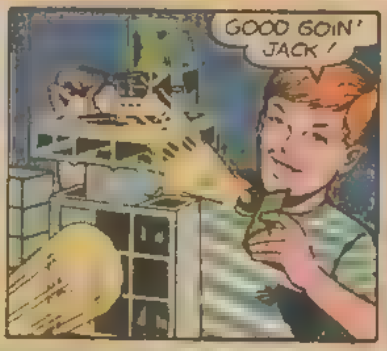
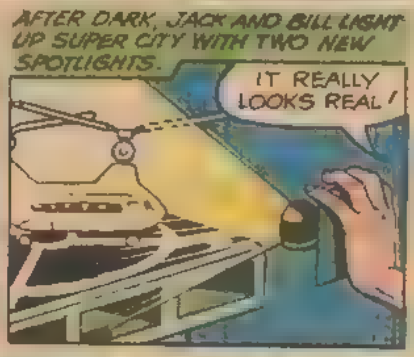
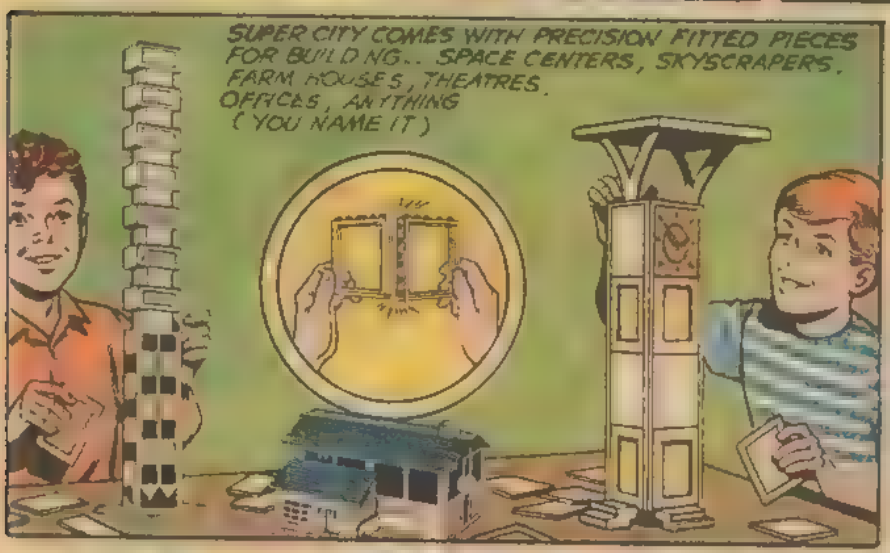
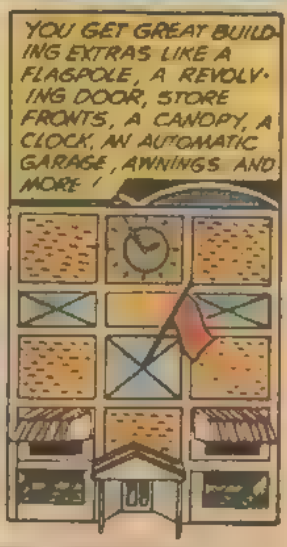
COMIN' IN FOR A LANDING!

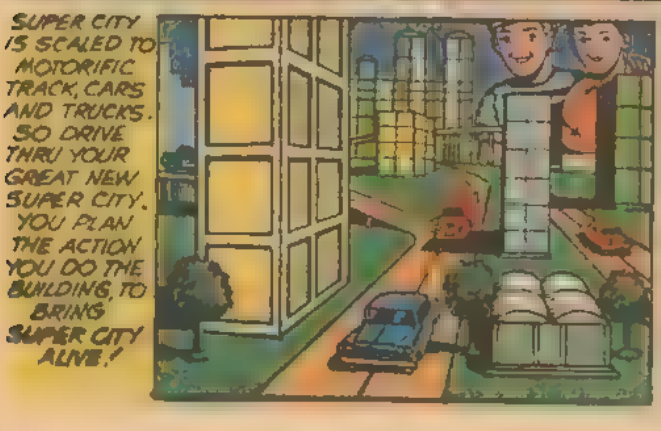

THE NEW SUPER CITY HELICOPTER HOVERS OVER SUPER CITY AND MAKES A PERFECT LANDING ON THE NEW SKYPORT.

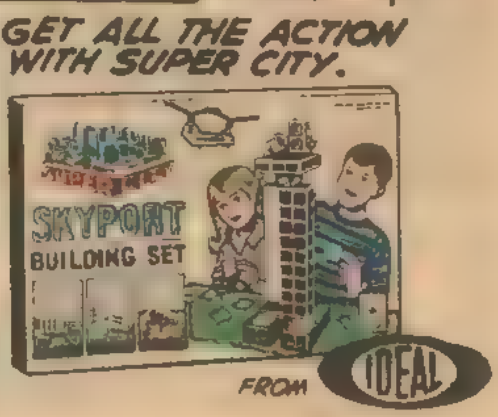

GOOD GOIN' JACK!


AFTER DARK, JACK AND BILL LIGHT UP SUPER CITY WITH TWO NEW SPOTLIGHTS.
IT REALLY LOOKS REAL!


SUPER CITY COMES WITH PRECISION FITTED PIECES FOR BUILDING.. SPACE CENTERS, SKYSCRAPERS, FARM HOUSES, THEATRES, OFFICES, ANYTHING (YOU NAME IT)


YOU GET GREAT BUILDING EXTRAS LIKE A FLAGPOLE, A REVOLVING DOOR, STORE FRONTS, A CANOPY, A CLOCK, AN AUTOMATIC GARAGE, AWNINGS AND MORE!


SUPER CITY IS SCALED TO MOTORIFIC TRACK, CARS AND TRUCKS. SO DRIVE THRU YOUR GREAT NEW SUPER CITY. YOU PLAN THE ACTION YOU DO THE BUILDING, TO BRING SUPER CITY ALIVE!


GET ALL THE ACTION WITH SUPER CITY.
SKYPORT
BUILDING SET
FROM
IDEAL

RETURN BOOKS HERE
I CAN GUESS WHAT HAPPENED! I PARKED THE LIBRARY IN A FUTURE ERA, NEAR THE LIBRARY OF THAT TIME 'A FUTURE STUDENT RETURNED THIS BORROWED BIOGRAPHY TO THE WRONG LIBRARY'
YES, SUPERGIRL. THIS BIOGRAPHY TELLS IT LIKE IT'S GOING TO BE!
I MADE A MINT REVEALING YOUR PAST SECRETS! I'LL MAKE EVEN MORE REVEALING YOUR FUTURE ACTS'
ULP! SHE COULD RUIN MY CAREER HOW DO I GET OUT OF THIS'
WILL 'GETAWAY' USE A PLANE, TRAIN OR CAR FOR HIS ESCAPE? NO' HE'S ALWAYS BOASTED ABOUT HIS CUNNING GETAWAYS'
HMMM' I JUST HAD A THOUGHT! IT'S A STUNT HE COULD ONLY PULL TODAY'
ATTENTION, ALL POLICE AUTHORITIES. "GETAWAY" GILLEN, UNDERWORLD KINGPIN AND ESCAPE ARTIST JUST BROKE OUT OF PRISON THE GRAPEVINE SAYS HE PLANS TO SLIP OUT OF THE COUNTRY
SHORTLY, AS SUPERGIRL BROODS IN HER SECRET HIDEOUT...
NOT IF I CAN STOP HIM.
MEANWHILE AT METROPOLIS' ANNUAL HEROES DAY PARADE
THOSE GIANT BALLOONS ARE A GAS! HA, HA! THERE'S MY FAVORITE-- SUPERMAN!
BATMAN IS MY HERO'
I FLIP FOR THE FLASH'
GREEN LANTERN'S MY BOY'

MOMENTS LATER, THE CLIMAX OF THE CELEBRATION
BUT SPEAKING OF SPECTACULARS.. AT THAT MOMENT, INSIDE ONE OF THE BALLOONS
NONE OF THOSE PARADE-WATCHING CLOWNS DREAMS THIS BALLOON S CARRYING ME "GETAWAY" GILLEN, OFF IN ONE OF THE CLEVEREST ESCAPES OF HIS CAREER!
NO ONE COULD TELL THIS SUBSTITUTE BALLOON FROM THE ORIGINAL, BOSS!
THESE OXYGEN MASKS ALLOW US TO BREATHE IN THE GAS FILLED BALLOON!
AND WHEN THE WIND BLOWS US PAST THE 12-MILE LIMIT, WE'LL PARACHUTE DOWN TO THE BOATS OUR GANG HAS WAITING FOR US!
THIS IS THE BEST PART OF THE PARADE-- WHEN THEY CUT THOSE BIG GAS-BAGS LOOSE AND LET THEM BLOW OUT TO SEA!
TERRIF!
WHAT A SPECTACULAR!
YIIII! IT'S SUPERGIRL! BUT HOW DID SHE KNOW WE WERE IN HERE?
WHOOOOOSH!
BUT SUDDENLY, A STEELY ARM SLICES OPEN THE BALLOON
RRRIIPP!
I'LL FILL YOU IN IN A MOMENT, BOYS!
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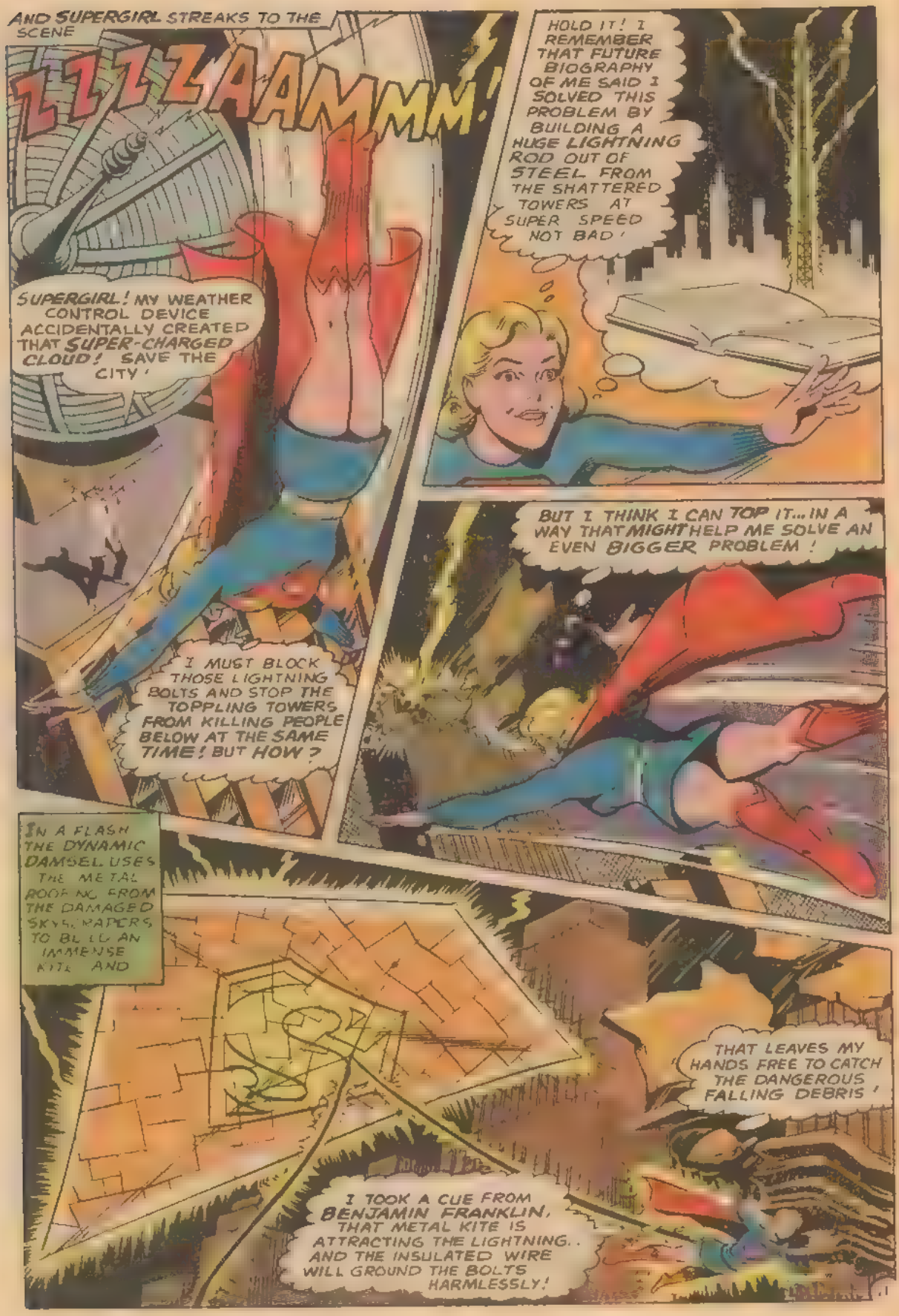
I THOUGHT YOU MIGHT USE A PARADE FLOAT TO ESCAPE... BUT THEN I SPOTTED THIS BALLOON!
I KNEW IT WAS A PHONY, BECAUSE GREEN LANTERN ALWAYS WEARS HIS POWER RING ON HIS RIGHT HAND, NOT HIS LEFT!
THE GANG GOOFED!
THEY MADE THE SUBSTITUTE BALLOON FROM A PHOTO OF THE ORIGINAL! BUT THEY MUST HAVE REVERSED THE NEGATIVE!
YOU'LL HAVE ANOTHER FEW YEARS IN THE PEN TO THINK UP YOUR NEXT GETAWAY GIMMICK!
AFTER THE CRIMINALS ARE TURNED OVER TO THE POLICE.
I CAN'T GET THAT FUTURE BIOGRAPHY OUT OF MY MIND. IF HILDA PUBLISHES THOSE FACTS, SNAKES LIKE "GETAWAY" WOULD KNOW MY EVERY MOVE IN ADVANCE!
STILL...THE BOOK COULD BE A PHONEY. I'LL CHECK!
PRESENTLY, AT THE LIBRARIAN'S HOME...
..AND TIPPED OFF BY THE MISPLACED POWER-RING, SUPERGIRL CAPTURED GILLEN...
GOOD WORK, SUPERGIRL! YOU HANDLED THAT FEAT EXACTLY AS YOUR BIOGRAPHY SAID YOU WOULD!
LET ME LOOK AT THAT..
AT INCREDIBLE SUPER-SPEED, THE MAID OF MIGHT SKIMS THROUGH THE VOLUME...
YULP!! EVERY DETAIL WAS PREDICTED! THE SAME GOES FOR ALL MY FUTURE FEATS! THIS EVEN TELLS HOW I'LL DIE!
YOU'D BETTER BELIEVE IT, SUPERGIRL! AND THAT BOOK IS MINE! DESTROY IT AND YOU'LL BE BREAKING THE LAW!
BIOGRAPHY OF SUPERG
WORLD'S GREATEST
BUT JUST THEN, IN DISTANT MIDLAND CITY, FATE TAKES A HAND..
BAARRAAMM!
TABLAAMM!
CALLING SUPERMAN! A SCIENTIST EXPERIMENTING WITH WEATHER CONTROL HAS CREATED A HUGE CLOUD THAT IS DESTROYING MIDLAND CITY WITH MASSIVE LIGHTNING BOLTS.


AND SUPERGIRL STREAKS TO THE SCENE
ZZZZAAMMM!
SUPERGIRL! MY WEATHER CONTROL DEVICE ACCIDENTALLY CREATED THAT SUPER-CHARGED CLOUD! SAVE THE CITY!
I MUST BLOCK THOSE LIGHTNING BOLTS AND STOP THE TOPPLING TOWERS FROM KILLING PEOPLE BELOW AT THE SAME TIME! BUT HOW?
HOLD IT! I REMEMBER THAT FUTURE BIOGRAPHY OF ME SAID I SOLVED THIS PROBLEM BY BUILDING A HUGE LIGHTNING ROD OUT OF STEEL FROM THE SHATTERED TOWERS AT SUPER SPEED NOT BAD!
BUT I THINK I CAN TOP IT... IN A WAY THAT MIGHT HELP ME SOLVE AN EVEN BIGGER PROBLEM!
IN A FLASH THE DYNAMIC DAMSEL USES THE METAL ROOFING FROM THE DAMAGED SKYSCRAPERS TO BUILD AN IMMENSE KITE AND
THAT LEAVES MY HANDS FREE TO CATCH THE DANGEROUS FALLING DEBRIS!
I TOOK A CUE FROM BENJAMIN FRANKLIN, THAT METAL KITE IS ATTRACTING THE LIGHTNING.. AND THE INSULATED WIRE WILL GROUND THE BOLTS HARMLESSLY!

SOON AFTER, AS HILDA LISTENS TO A NEWS BULLETIN...
AND SO SUPERGIRL'S METAL KITE GROUNDED THE SUPER-CHARGED LIGHTNING, THUS MAKING THE CLOUD HARMLESS!
BUT THE BIOGRAPHY SAYS SHE USED A LIGHTNING ROD... AND...
-GASP!- THE PRINT--IT IS FADING... VANISHING!
WHAT AM I DOING WITH THIS BLANK BOOK? ...AND ALL THIS BLANK TYPE-WRITER PAPER?
WHY CAN'T I REMEMBER A THING ABOUT THEM?
IT ALL HAD SOMETHING TO DO WITH SUPERGIRL...BUT I GUESS IT ISN'T IMPORTANT! I HAVE TO GET BACK TO MY JOB AT THE LIBRARY!
MEANWHILE, SUPERGIRL HAS BEEN WATCHING WITH HER TELESCOPIC VISION...
MY GAMBLE PAID OFF! EVERYTHING HAPPENED EXACTLY AS I HOPED IT WOULD! BY SLIGHTLY CHANGING THE METHOD I WAS SUPPOSED TO USE TO GROUND THE LIGHTNING, I STILL SAVED THE CITY...
HISTORY WASN'T CHANGED, JUST REARRANGED ENOUGH TO START A CHAIN REACTION THAT WOULD MAKE EVERYTHING IN THAT BIOGRAPHY SLIGHTLY FALSE!
SINCE EVENTS NEVER HAPPENED EXACTLY AS PRINTED IN THAT BOOK, MY SO-CALLED "LIFE HISTORY" VANISHED FROM ITS PAGES.. AND FROM HILDA'S MEMORY AS WELL!...
SAY...I CAN'T RECALL WHAT THE BOOK SAID, EITHER! BUT I DON'T WANT TO KNOW EVERYTHING MY FUTURE HOLDS, ANYWAY!
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THE END

Dear Editor:
I thought Red Kryptonite could never affect Superman the same way twice. But in issue 367, Superman gets bat-wings. Before that, in SUPERBOY 101, he also got bat-wings.
—William Ferguson, Watertown, Mass.

(No, he didn't! In the SUPERBOY tale, he got the wings of a SPACE DRAGON! We could go into detail about the differences between dragons and bats, but DRAGGIN' all that into the column could drive us BATTY.—Ed.)

Dear Editor:
Did you know that there was a pop swinging group named The Daily Planet?
—Steve Williams, Cedaredge, Colo.

(No, but we'd think it would be a more natural name for an instrumental group, instead. Perry White is a born LEADER, Jimmy Olsen has plenty of BRASS, and Lois Lane has SAX appeal. Of course, Mr. Mxyzptlk would be with another group—The Fifth Dimension.—Ed.)

Dear Editor:
I've really NAILed you this time! On page 2 of the Supergirl Story in ACTION No. 366, Alpha has SIX fingers. Now, let's see how you HANDle this criticism!
—Dick Finegan, Wayland, Mass.

(With kid gloves—or the glove Alpha should have been wearing in that panel—and wasn't. Anyway, you put the FINGER on a goof. THUMBtimes we have to KNUCKLE under and take what you HAND out.—Ed.)

Dear Editor:
Supergirl could be given a new look by making her costume sleeveless and skirtless (substituting shorts), thus giving it a proper balance. This change would signalize Supergirl's role as a young adult much better than the odious title of "Superwoman." Before choosing a career, Linda could go to graduate school, thus maintaining links with the college crowd a little longer. The fact that Linda had a PhD wouldn't prevent her from being fashionable—she'd dress in style and avoid the stereotyped, drab, glasses-wearing character traditionally associated with such a position. Whatever her career might be, it shouldn't involve journalism, TV reporting, or any type of law agency, as this would be copying already overworked fields. What do you say?
—David Smith, Knoxville, Tenn.

(For Linda, PhD could stand for "Phenomenal Doll." As to the costume—what would you say to a story in which Supergirl models several different outfits . . . just to get the readers' reaction?—Ed.)

Dear Editor:
In your recent story of Superman as a Kryptonian leper, you forgot something. I'll bet Green Lantern could have cured Supie. After all, his power ring can work on anything that isn't yellow.
David Vest, Birmingham, Ala.

(Exactly—and Superman gets his invulnerability from the rays of Earth's YELLOW sun. The same goes for anything from Krypton, including Virus X—so GL's ring wouldn't work on it.—Ed.)

Dear Editor:
You made a goof which I wish to point out. In No. 368, on page 5, Alpha refers to records in the year 3406. Then, on page 9, Alpha and Beta are arrested by officers from 3604. If the gals came from 3406, how come the cops came from 3604?
—Gary Cromer, Fairmount, Ind.

(Alpha and Beta came from 3604; but they made a stop-over on their trip to 1968 so they could look up some records in 3406.—Ed.)

Dear Editor:
In ACTION No. 366, you have Supergirl saving a ship by freezing the water with her super-cold breath. But when she blows, there are already two people standing on the ice. How did they get on top of the water before it was frozen?
—Greg Koenig, Austin, Tex.

(Would you believe they were trying to wade to shore without getting their feet wet? No? We were afraid you wouldn't.—Ed.)

Dear Editor:
In ACTION No. 366, the Bizarros threw White and Red Kryptonite at Superman. The White K cured his Virus X, but why didn't the Red K affect him?
—Mel Lancet, Flushing, N.Y.

(Because these particular chunks had already affected him in the past and couldn't do so a second time. Thanks for asking, anyway—we wanted a chance to give this answer, to show that we had one ready.—Ed.)

Dear Editor:
I simply cannot let ACTION No. 365 go by without comment. In particular, the cover story, "The Unemployed Superman." Before I forget, let me thank you for a great cover. I'm relieved to see a hero THINKING instead of talking out loud to himself. The cover is simple and effective. Bravo! The story itself had two flaws. Superman made the first error. He knows of the existence of the Legion of Super-Heroes in the future. Destiny cannot be changed. So the Sentinel's wiping away of crime will be ineffective, because the Legion will fight crime on Earth in the future. The second flaw is your error. The Man of Steel is not Earth's only super-hero. What about the Justice League? Did the Sentinel ask them to leave Earth, too? So far, the other super-powered heroes haven't had their adventures interrupted by an era without crime or disaster.
—Harvey Sobel, Commack, N.Y.

(Why record it when the heroes had nothing to do? With Superman, it was a different story. He was the one who destroyed the Sentinels! And we'll bet you didn't guess the shock ending in issue 369—and the reason the Sentinels failed!—Ed.)

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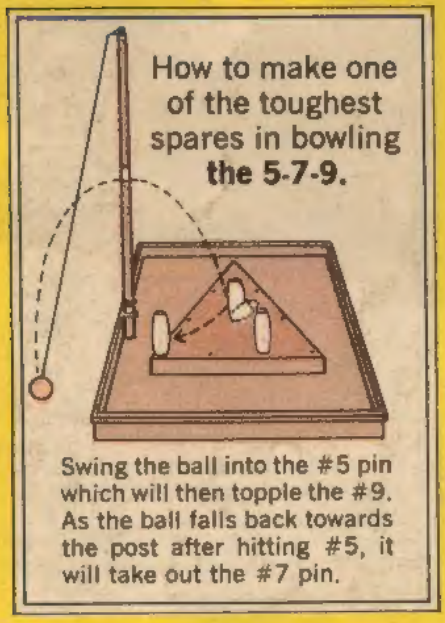

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